

CONCORDIA



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Stingers

Stingers win provincial hockey title

The Concordia Stingers women's hockey team won the Quebec Student Sports Federation (QSSF) women's hockey championship with a 2-1 come-from-behind win over the Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières Patriotes on Sunday at Concordia Arena in Montreal.

After trailing 1-0 for most of the game, centre Cammi Granato – playing in her last game with the Stingers – scored the tying goal with 13:02 left to play. Sophomore winger Corinne Swirsky netted the winner with 5:05 left in the game. The Patriotes' goal was scored by Caroline Proulx at 5:13 of the first period.

Despite trailing 1-0 heading into the third period, Concordia head coach Les Lawton was not worried.

"I felt confident," he said. "Both teams had played three games in three days and were worn down, but we have more depth. That was the game plan all along. Stay close and then take it in the third period."

UQTR won the first game of the best-of-three series last Friday. The score was 4-2. The Stingers travelled to Trois-Rivières yesterday, where they won the second game 5-2.

"This championship was really satisfying," Lawton said. "We beat a very good team. We lost the first game and then had to go down to Trois-Rivières and win, and come back here and win again."

The Stingers won the 1996 title with two straight victories over the St. Laurent Patriotes last March. The Quebec conference was on hiatus in 1994-'95.

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